

WAITED ON PREMIER.

Members of Toronto Bar Present Petition to Sir Wilfrid Laurier Regarding Appointments.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Premier Laurier, who was in Toronto to attend the bar dinner, was today visited upon by a delegation from the Ontario bar, who presented a memorial as follows: "The signatories to this memorial recognize the fact that in the past appointments to the High Court bench in Ontario have been merited by distinction previously attained at the bar, and have been made without regard to other considerations than public interests. Your signatories wish to express to you, as the first minister among His Excellency's advisers, their hope and trust that when present or other vacancies in the Ontario bench come to be filled, the government will not depart from the traditions surrounding this high office in the past, but will continue to deserve the confidence of the people by selecting for such exalted positions men of standing and eminence in the profession, without attaching any weight to other considerations which may be urged."

The memorial was signed by the leading lawyers of the city. The Premier, in reply, expressed his entire concurrence in the statements expressed in the memorial.

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Are Ever Recognized by
An Intelligent Public.

Deceptions and Frauds Find the
Fate They Deserve.

Paine's Celery Compound
Still on the Highest Round
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The ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE

British Columbia Fruit Growers' and Horticultural Society

Will be held in the
Court House
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.
Tuesday, Jan'y 22, 1901
AT 2 P. M.

TOM WILSON, Pres.
W. J. BRANDBRITH, Secy.

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All or part of your farm? If so, list your property with me. I am making a specialty of farming lands, and at the present time can dispose of your property at prices are right.

J. E. CHURCH,
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Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the City and District of New Westminster, with power to act as executors, administrators, assignees, for liquidators, receivers, financial and investment agent, estate managers, trustees of wills, mortgages, bonds, stocks, shares for companies and individuals, establish safe deposit vaults, and to carry on a general trust business, and for such other rights, powers, or privileges as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

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FOR SALE—"Oak Farm," 1 1/2 Acres, 6 miles from Victoria, on West Saanich road, comprising 51 acres, nearly all cultivated and good buildings. Further particulars apply to John Black on premises.

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PROVINCE AND IMMIGRATION.

There Will Probably Be a Test Case to Decide the Jurisdiction of the Local Legislature.

A MATTER FOR DOMINION PARLIAMENT

The Visit of Premier Dunsmuir and Attorney-General Eberts to Ottawa—Developing Mineral Resources of British Columbia.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 12.—It is very probable that a test case will be submitted to the courts so as to decide the question of jurisdiction arising out of the Chinese and Japanese Immigration Act of the province of British Columbia, which is modelled on the Natal Act.

It is generally conceded that the province cannot interfere with the Chinese since the Dominion has already legislated on this subject, and in all cases where the Dominion and Province have concurrent powers, the latter cannot override the former. But as to the Japanese, that is another matter, since the Dominion has not acted. The general belief, however, is that the whole question is one which the Dominion could handle best. This is one of the subjects which Premier Dunsmuir and Attorney-General Eberts, of British Columbia, who are now here, will discuss with the Premier and Minister of Justice.

The granting of a charter to the Northern Pacific railway to reach the coal fields of the Crow's Nest Pass, a direct line between the Kootenay and the Pacific coast, the extension of the railway to the north end of Vancouver Island, and some scheme for joint action on the part of the Dominion and the Province to develop the mineral resources will also come up for consideration.

Applications for Charters. Application will be made at the next session for a private act to incorporate

a company with power to construct a line of railway, standard gauge, or such other gauge as may be deemed expedient, from some point on the line of the White Pass & Yukon Railway, as surveys shall show to be most expedient, to and across the Lewis branch of the Yukon river, and thence by the most feasible route across the waters separating the said Lewis branch of the Yukon river from Hootalinqua river, a tributary of the Yukon, to Hootalinqua river, and from Big Salmon river, a tributary of the Yukon, by the most feasible route to Big Salmon river, and to construct branch lines to any points in the valleys of Hootalinqua and Big Salmon, and their tributaries; and also to extend the line northward so as to reach the Stewart river by the most feasible route.

Application will be made next session for an act to incorporate a company to construct a railway from the coal mines at Michel, East Kootenay, British Columbia, thence by way of Michel creek and the most feasible and practicable route east or west of Elk and Upper Kootenay rivers, southward to the international boundary; also from Michel creek northward along the valley of Elk river, and thence to a point on the main line of the C. P. R.; also from a point on the proposed line of railways, thence eastward to North Fork of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, with authority to construct branches from any point on the proposed line not exceeding in any one case thirty miles in length.

The British Yukon Railway will apply next session for an act to construct a railway from a point near Fort Selkirk to near Dawson city, and branch lines not exceeding fifty miles.

Are Safe On Shore

Passengers and Crew of the Stranded Steamer Ruskie Rescued at Last.

No Lives Were Lost, But All on Board Experienced Terrible Hardships.

(Associated Press.)

Farman, Jan. 11.—After a night of terrible suspense, all of the passengers and crew of the French steamer Ruskie, which stranded near here during a violent storm on Monday, have been safely landed.

As the life-line connected from the shore with the steamer parted again yesterday afternoon, no communication with the stranded steamer was possible last night. The last signalled message read as follows: "We have not a scrap of food left. Consternation prevails on board."

On receipt of this appeal the fishermen made two boatsky launches of their boats, but were beaten back, and as the Ruskie disappeared in the darkness those on board were apparently trying to launch their only remaining boat. The storm.

Raged With Renewed Fury during the night, and only those who were compelled to do so stayed on the shore, part of them huddled beneath a mantle and others seeking refuge from the gale in farm houses.

Last night boats with lines attached were launched, but both attempts to reach the Ruskie were fruitless. In the early hours of the morning torches were lighted at the bow of the Ruskie and in response to the signal the fishermen made another effort to reach the wreck. They were again tossed ashore, and the crew of the life boat, who belong to the fishing village of Carro, gathered around a bonfire made of wreckage from the steamer drenched to the skin, and with their teeth chattering from cold, but not discouraged. Their

Heroism Was Finally Rewarded with daybreak the weather moderated, the sea became calmer, and the wind having shifted from the east to north, the Carro fishermen at about 6.30 a. m. began to put to sea. The spectators watching fast beating hearts, and the boat disappeared through the waves. More than once it was thought she had been

engulfed, but the small craft rose in sight again on the crests of seas and moved gradually nearer to the Ruskie.

A rope was thrown, which the fishermen caught, and the lifeboat soon was alongside. Then above the howling wind rose cries of joy from those on board the Ruskie, which were

Re-echoed by the Crowd Ashore.

Another boat manned by 4 men was launched and succeeded in reaching the wrecked vessel.

A few minutes later the Carro boat left the Ruskie's side, heavily laden. As she approached the shore the occupants were seen to be severely chilled and one baby, who the spectators plunged into the sea; some of them dragged the lifeboat ashore, and others lifted the women out of the boat and carried them in their arms through the waves to dry land. One woman was clasped in the arms of her son, who had been waiting on shore since mid-day. She swooned and had to be transported on a stretcher, hastily constructed from the wreckage, and covered with blankets to the lighthouse. The other women

Collapsed With Fatigue, cold, and want of food. Their haggard faces and trembling limbs told of awful experiences they had gone through. Want of thought had resulted in all the nourishment kept kept at the lighthouse, two miles distant, and the sufferers had to be taken there before restoratives could be administered to them.

The four-oared boat next arrived with seven more passengers. The lifeboat then made repeated journeys, until all were saved and sheltered in the lighthouse.

Paris, Jan. 12.—Ugly stories are leaking out concerning the behavior of part of the crew of the steamer Ruskie, which was wrecked off Farman on Monday.

The Matin publishes an interview with a passenger who said the conduct of some of the sailors had been beneath contempt. The first mate had to enforce obedience at the muzzle of a revolver, and had been obliged to pass the nights with a loaded revolver in his hand. Those assertions are confirmed by two lady passengers. The other passengers, adds the correspondent, while praising the officers, maintained a significant silence regarding the steamer.

A correspondent of the Echo de Paris alleges that discord prevailed on board regarding the conduct of two women, vandeville performers, and certain other passengers, declaring that scandalous incidents occurred in the smoking room between them and some of the officers, in spite of the fact that all on board appeared to be on the threshold of death.

The correspondent adds: "It is asserted that the officers surreptitiously favored these women, giving them biscuits and oranges. These rumors spread to the crew, who seized on them as a pretext to start a little mutiny. The seamen refused to do duty, saying there was no longer any discipline on board and that in face of the common peril every

Counting the Population

Census in the Dominion of Canada to Be Taken on Sunday, March 31st.

How the Work Will Be Carried Out—Dividing Country Into Districts.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—The Dominion census will be taken on Sunday, March 31st, next. This is also the day fixed for taking the census in Great Britain and Ireland. All persons who are living at midnight on Sunday will be counted.

The census will be taken by name and according to the de jure system. The country will be divided into census districts, consisting, as far as possible, of electoral districts. Polling subdivisions agreeing to boundaries adopted for the recent general election are taken as units of enumeration. There will be one commissioner for each electoral district, and one additional commissioner where local circumstances require his services.

There will also be one enumerator for each polling sub-division or group of polling subdivisions where the population is sparse. The work of enumeration will begin on Monday, April 1st, and in the great majority of polling subdivisions it is expected that the work will be through in a fortnight.

Provision is also made for the appointment of four chief officers for the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and one for each of the other provinces and the Northwest Territories. It will be the duty of these officers to instruct commissioners concerning the work of the census, and the commissioners in turn will instruct the enumerators. There are 12 schedules as against 9 in 1901.

Financial Statement.

The statement of revenue and expenditure of the Dominion for six months ending December last has been issued by the finance department. It shows the revenue to be \$25,731,655, and expenditure \$17,208,610, leaving a surplus of over \$8,500,000. The revenue has increased over the same time last year by about \$1,500,000, and the expenditure has increased about the same amount.

PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN.

Several Native Strongholds in Northern Mindanao Have Been Destroyed.

Manila, Jan. 11.—Brigadier-General Kobbe who has headquarters at Cagayan, is personally directing the campaign in Northern Mindanao. Col. Birkinmer, with five companies of the 5th regiment, has swept the country and destroyed Filipino strongholds in the vicinity of Santa Ana.

Major Case, of the 40th regiment, is operating in the mountains of Southwest Cagayan. He has destroyed several strongholds and captured some prisoners. Minor captures continue in Luzon.

The civil authorities of several towns in Zamboanga province met at Santa Ana recently and signed an ultimatum to the insurgents that they will be paid thirty pesos apiece for rifles and liberated if they agree to keep quiet, and setting forth that since Gen. MacArthur's proclamation that if the insurgents do not return to their homes by January 30th, they will be considered enemies of their people, who will then assist the Americans to pursue them.

FATAL COLLISION.

Two Engineers and a Fireman Killed—Several Persons Injured.

(Associated Press.)

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 12.—A head-on collision occurred on the Pere Marquette railway last night, about a mile and one-half northwest of Plymouth, a village about 40 miles from Detroit, which resulted in the death of three men and injury to several others. The collision was between a passenger train, coming to Detroit from Saginaw, and a freight engine on a "Y." The dead are: Alex. W. Moore, Saginaw, aged 55, engineer of the passenger train; John Kennedy,

Saginaw, fireman on the passenger engine, and Wm. Glische, engineer on the freight engine. The latter died at the hospital at Detroit.

WAR EAGLE STOCK.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—War Eagle stock sold down to 80 on the Toronto stock exchange today. The result was generally a weaker tendency in the higher priced mining stocks.

George Goodrich, president of the company, could not give any reason for the weakness in the stock. He had not known that it had sold down so low. War Eagle stock was first floated at 80, was listed on the Toronto stock exchange in 1898 at par. It went up rapidly until it sold as high as \$3.80. Then, when the possibilities of the mine became more widely known, and the directors at a meeting a little over a year ago limited the yearly output, the stock broke, and within about twenty-four hours was bought on \$1.50. It fluctuated for months on various rumors, but gradually lowered until it reached par.

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Making for West Coast

The Movement of Boer Raiders, Who Are Now in the Heart of Cape Colony.

BLUEJACKETS LAND AT LAMBERT'S BAY

They Have Been Busy Constructing Entrenchments—Hertzog's Commando May Move on Worcester—Burghers Repulsed.

(Associated Press.)

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According to latest reliable reports another party of 500 Boers has reached the Loorn river, 70 miles south of Calvinia. The authorities are doing all in their power to meet the situation.

Refugees from Calvinia and Clan Williams are flocking to Piquetsburg road. They state that many poor whites are certain to join the Boers. Then, too, many bitter handsmen in the neighborhood of Clan William and Malmesburg openly declare that they intend to join the invaders.

A small commando, about 200 strong, crossed the Orange River near Alwal North. It was met on the borders of the Alwal, the Wedhouse and the Barkley east districts by a body of police and mounted farmers, and was repulsed with some loss. Probably they will attempt to cross the river again.

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Capetown to Be Entrenched. Capetown, Jan. 10.—Entrenchments are being constructed across the Cape Fats from False Bay to Table Bay.

After Heavy Fighting. London, Jan. 10.—General Kitchener sends news of serious simultaneous attacks on the night of January 7th, by the Republicans on the British positions between points 60 miles apart along the lines of the Pretoria & Laurensburg railway. The losses on both sides were heavy. According to reports the Boers were beaten off after prolonged fighting.

The following is the text of the dispatch from General Kitchener, dated at Pretoria, Wednesday, January 9th: "On the night of January 7th, the Boers made a simultaneous and determined attack upon all our posts at Belfast, Wonderfontein, Notiedadicht and Wildfontein. Intense fog prevailed, and taking advantage of the cover it afforded the Boers were able to creep up close to our positions. A heavy fire continued until 3.40 a. m., when the Boers were driven off. One officer was killed and three wounded, while 20 men were killed and 50 wounded. The loss of the Boers was heavy, 24 dead bodies being counted. A convoy taking supplies to Gordons' Brigade, north of Krugersdorp, was attacked by Beyer's commando yesterday. The Boers were driven off, leaving 11 dead on the field. Our casualties were four slightly wounded."

KING AND HIS FATHER. (Associated Press.)

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